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WORLD'S-1904-FAIR.

NOT SUCH A BAD PLACE.

Too many young men are suiciding "because"-one because he failed to pass his examinations, another because he was jilted, a third because he broke a temperance pledge, another on account of financial dis-

These Werther-like sufferers, for whose misfortunes there is unrestrained pity, were promising fellows who made the common mistake of taking the world at its word. They accepted the first rebuff as conclusive, whereas they should have, every one of them, appealed the decision.

It is easy to prescribe what they should have done. The philosophy for the student's case is plain, while There was abundant chance for the young man defeated in his efforts at reform; and the remaining youth should have laughed at his pecuniary strin-

But they were not philosophers. Trouble attacked them on the morbid side and they plunged into despair. To their clouded imaginations the world became a big, stern, forbidding sphere of defeat out of which it seemed desirable to migrate,

They looked upon life not too sincerely or too earnestly, but upon the world too seriously. They should have known that while the world frowns it laughs up its sleeve. They should have recalled Horace Walpole's truth that while the world is a tragedy to those who feel it is a comedy to those who think. Youthful defeats are the very substance of a lifetime's success.

LONG-SUFFERING HITCHING POST.

He has been working for thirty years "raising his family the best he can," and has given them advantages which he never enjoyed. He hasn't taken a vacation in twenty years, but he sends them to the seashore when summer comes. He has saved a little fortune, so that if any of them should be sick he "would have something to take care of them with."

He has indeed performed a noble, a heroic life work, but he signs himself "a long-suffering father," and laments that the children never come to him with anything. It is always "Mother." And he says he is simply "a good hitching post, where the family can stay hitched in good order." He invites discussion of

Perhaps fathers in general should learn that it is never well to be devoured with self-sympathy. It leads to morbidity and a good deal of nonsense. At best, the father's is a strenuous, tenuous career. stripped of indulgences and laden with responsibility; but it is the best and the only genuine life, and the father has carved it out for himself.

Nobody compelled him to become a father and he ought sanely to make the most of his superior situa-

But if he frets and pines let him find for in a comparison with the bachelor. Of what use is the genus solus? Nobody knows. Humanity gives him no serious thought. Only now and then some philosopher, like Mr. Roosevelt, pays him his due. As a matter of fact, the confirmed or chronic bachelor makes no impression, is without influence and absolutely excites

There are but two types. One is the unmannerly of Mayor Wells and Circuit Attorney Folk, being bankrupt of interests, who travels a narrow path with a smil's ambition and a mediocre success The other is perpetually active, trying to break out of influence, to multiply his points of contact with soclety, to make an impress in law, politics, religion, science, commerce or something else. Not uncomis too late. The lives of bachelors are self-pampered, actually accomplished in St. Louis. fed with petty indulgences and small gratifications,

such as they are. Better be the hitching post. Even from the standwhich the ignominous exponent of selfishness cannot ment and an unprecedented development of territory. both ways. Smoke and the pavement insulate the city boy.

approach with thrice the expenditure-and these, bear in mind, are evidently the latter's end and aim.

Our good hitching post should know that marriage and a family life are not for the man who magnities the importance of his personal gratifications, but are its wholesome substantials, who would gratify not comprehension. the small vanities but the whole man that is in him, who finds, with his responsibility, a fuller freedom. His capacity is developed, his relationships extended, touch the realities of pleasure.

one's own enjoyments-not because it is "selfishness" or "vanity" or any other reprehensible thing dear to the sermonizers, but for a philosophic, if not a scientific, reason. Man has a very limited capacity for exclusive enjoyment. Pursuit of his own pleasures palis. In proof of this observe that the cynic is almost invariably a bachelor and the bachelor inevitably a cynic. But the man with the family has a muttiplied capacity for enjoyment. When his own pleasures fail he partakes of his family's. It is vicarious enjoyment. No man is so selfish but that he rejoices in the happiness of those dependent upon him. No man is so self-centered but that he values their happiness. That is essential to his larger life, his, if you please, comprehensive selfishness.

For these and a great variety of other reasons, the "long-suffering hitching post" will not be allowed to complain. His demurrer is overruled, with the recommendation that he reconcile himself to "Mother's" popularity. Surely he cannot expect to be prayed to. His virtues are not of the sort to enshrine, while mother's should always be first among the lares and

EVEN GREATER NEXT TIME.

The World's Fair Dedication was an event of international importance and significance, that will long be remembered, not only throughout the United States, but in foreign countries. It formally brought St. Louis into universal prominence and focused interest on affairs in this part of the country.

St. Louis effered to its guests an entertainmen worthy of the occasion. The Dedication parade was a military display which well depicted the strength. efficiency and excellent equipment of the regular army and which did striking credit to the militia of all States which were represented. The ceremonies were of a high order. The most prominent men of the the world's Powers participated officially in the exercises.

The celebration has never been equaled in any respect, in the whole South or Southwest. It was one of the most notable that have taken place in the United States in many years. That St. Louis, having made great promises, has entirely fulfilled them cannot be denied. There is assurance, therefore, that the World's Fair is more apt to exceed promises and expectations than go below.

St. Louis has proved that it is equal to its opportunities and that it can appropriately take rank among the great cities of the world. The Dedication festivities were eminently successful. Events of the future will be even more attractive, even more interesting, even more worthy. Lessons were learned on this occasion that will be put to use for still greater success. And the greatest success, the crowning event, will be the World's Fair, which will be, as has been promised, the greatest of all universal expositions.

BIAS AND BOODLE.

Pittsburg is described in the current issue of an Eastern magazine as "A City Ashamed," The author of the complimentary article with the uncomplimentary title is the same who, in the same magazine wrote of official crime in Minneapolis as "The Shame of Minneapolis" and who misrepresented conditions here in an article entitled "The Shamelessness of St Louis."

fest in references which he makes in the Pittsburg article to criminal practices in four American cities Comparing Pittsburg with these other cities, he states that it is a little worse than New York and Minneapolis, yet that it is better than St. Louis. This may be his personal opinion, but it is an opinion that facts, as related by him, positively disprove.

Minneapolis cannot be scheduled as a bad city solely on account of the disreputable work of a Mayor whom it has punished; nor can St. Louis be charactorized as the most degraded city in the country because criminal practices have here been exposed and evildoers prosecuted. If all that Mr. Steffens says of Pittsburg is true, the degradation of that city is far worse than that of any Western or Northern city. The story of official crime in Pittsburg, as told in this magazine, is a revelation that by comparison does high honor to St. Louis and Minneapolis.

St. Louis and Minneapolis are cities reformed though they may be too far west and north to get due credit for effecting their redemption. And, though the writer refers to "The Shamelessness of St. Louis" and "The Shame of Minneapolis," he mildly calls Pittsburg "A City Ashamed" and proceeds to assert that the Pennsylvania city has not only been completely at the mercy of political rings, but that efforts at reform have been infrequent, feeble and unsuccessfal: that the financial powers and influential men of the city were beneficiaries of the ring and so shackled

that they dared not openly aid a reform movement. Crime flourished in St. Louis only a comparatively short time. While it flourished it was exposed from day to day in the press and public anger promptly cut the reign of crime short at the first opportunity. The people elected Mayor Wells and Circuit Attorney Folk and a reform administration to punish criminals and establish good government. When announcements were made that Mr. Folk and the Grand Jury had obtained evidence against corruptionists, the whole city applauded and all citizens, rich and poor, offered assistance in the good work. Approval was also bestowed from the beginning on Mayor Wells and all good-government officials.

St. Louis may appear shameless to some persons but this city's shamelessness would be a valuable asset for any American municipality. It has a conscientious and capable Mayor, a conscientious and capable Circuit Attorney, a City Council entirely above reproach, a House of Delegates at least half good, and chiefs, at the head of all municipal departments, whose work in their respective spheres is of the same quality as that which appears in the work

The municipal government of St. Louis is unsurpassed in any city in the United States. The people are so well satisfied with their efforts at reform that his shell and break into human affairs, to extend his they invite the comments of investigators to whom him in fine physical condition. Disease will be mastered conditions and facts strongly appeal. Exposures of and the arts will contribute toward the saving of vitality, crime perhaps gave the impression that crime still so that men will live longer. Poisonous reptiles and harmprevails in public office. But fair investigation will monly be will be found attempting to marry—when it show conclusively that governmental reform has been

TYPICAL DEVELOPMENT.

In celebrating the cession of Louisiana Territory, point of crass materialism his condition is preferable. the American people naturally consider the results ism of human society. Within reason, he can make himsel For a thousand dollars a year the average head of a of the century which has lapsed. The retrospect of a that he has the earth under his feet and the clean sky family enjoys culinary and household advantages hundred years reveals a marvel of human achieve-

In no other period of like length has there been so great a portion of the earth's surface brought under the conquest of civilization.

In its totality the idea of reducing such an immense domain to a habitable condition and subjecting for him who would go deeper into existence and find it to the dominion of peaceful arts is almost past

As part of this stupendous whole the brief history of Oklahoma's development is full of interest and instruction. It has been just fourteen years since the his range of interests broadened. It is the complete original Oklahoma was inhabited only by blanket and deeper life and the only one through which to Indians and a few privileged cattlemen. At 12 o'clock on the 22d of April, 1889, it was thrown open for en-That is a narrow, doubtful and, at best, ephemeral trance. Before the day's close over 60,000 people happiness which comes with administering solely to had taken up their abode therein and had founded several cities, one of which contained 10,000 inhabitants.

> About a year later Congress added a strip of about 700,000 acres to the territory, and still later a body of over a million acres. The third year over four million acres were added. By successive legislative acts the area has been brought to nearly twenty-five

> The territory became rapidly settled; a vast influx of population followed each addition and "opening": territorial government came into existence within the second year of the Territory's history and to-day Oklahoma presents conditions which fully warrant its admission into the Union as fit for the responsibilities of statehood.

In one sense Oklahoma's progress has been typical of that of the Louislana Territory as a whole; in the sense that the same pioneer spirit, energy and enterprise have characterized the settlement and development of the entire interior West. 'The "boomer" and the "sooner" have not been so conspicuous everywhere. The work has been more gradual and even It has been done by the millions of emigrants in twos and threes and sixes and sevens, not in congested, rushing masses. But that it has been scarcely less rapid is a fact, remarkable but inevitable, demonstrable. There is the great tangible accomplishment bewildering in immensity-a wilderness counted in thousands of square miles reclaimed and wrought into a condition of comfortable habitation in a space

Raids of the downtown questionable lodging resorts should not stop with one or two. There are several so-called hotels in the business districts which should be subjected to scrutiny by the Grand Jury; this in the interest of World's Fair and Dedication visitors, to whom a street sign and a register book may be suffi-United States and the accredited representatives of cient indications of respectability. These investigations afford an excellent field for police activity and should sweep thoroughly and clean.

> King Edward's appointment of his son to the headship of the World's Fair Board is another evidence of that morarch's rare tact, and possibly a token of pleasant regard for the old St. Louis which he visited in the dim past. Edward still has his critics, yet there are few persons in the world who will not confess a liking for his genial personality and an admiration for his art of cultivating friendship.

> Governor Yates received a welcome along Thursday's line of march so cordial that it was little short of an ovation. And the hearty reception was extended to his staff, the militia and the naval reserves representing Illinois. Missouri and Illinois are chums as well as neighbors.

After looking into the faces of so many Western maids and widows Governor Bailey of Kausas may have decided to abandon bachelorhood. But his next difficulty will be in making a selection,

RECENT COMMENT.

Dutchmen Will Rule South Africa. W. T. Stead in Booklover's Magazine.

The Dutch are better men on the land than the English Mr. Rhodes affirmed it as strongly as Benjamin Kidd. Not only are they better men, but they are much cleverer politicians. Doctor Gordon Sprigg, the present Premier farmers from the back country had such a natural intuitive genius for politics that, after three weeks in Parliament, they could give points to any British member who had been in the House for months.

Not only are they better men all round on the land, not only are they abler politicians all round in the houses of Parliament, but, what is far more important, they are better breeders of men. The British colonist, following the example of the Frenchman and the New Englander, shrinks from the primal task of multiplying and increasing and replenishing the earth. The Dutch cradle is never empty. If the hand that rocks the cradle sways the it is not less true that the race that fills the cradle will ossess the world. Hence the destiny of South Africa seems tolerably certain to be that of a fed-ration of selfgoverning States, pre-eminently Dutch, which will or will not be sheltered by the Union Jack, according to the readiness of the Imperial Government to recognize that it has no authority over Africanders

Woman's Fondness for Talking.

May Housekeeper. The so-called "comic" papers teem with jokes in which woman's alleged fondness for "words, words, words," as Hamlet says, is held up for ridicule. The men who write cynical paragraphs for the press are continually harping upon this anciest theme of feminine loguacity with such remarks as this: "A man in Missouri hasn't spoken a word to his wife in sixteen years. Perhaps he was unwilling to interrupt." Or, "It was said of a certain great man that he could be silent in seven languages. It is rarely that a woman performs one-seventh of this feat." Funny? Perhaps, but with a sting,

Let us see whether verbosity is a purely feminine characteristic. Preaching and the law may be regarded as chief among the "talkative" professions, and these are filled almost exclusively by men. Barbering, too, which is somewhat of a conversational calling, attracts many more mer than women, and who ever heard of a female auctioneer? The truth is, the power of speech was given to both men women for intelligent use, and one sex abuses the privilege about as much as the other. But to lay the entire burden of criticism upon woman is the essence of injustice.

Golden Age of Opera Bouffe.

It may sound pessimistic to say that the golden age of operetta is gone; but when, after considering the present outlook of musical comedies and farces, one turns back thirty years and sees how a former generation fared in this particular, the remark seems justified by the facts. Thirty years ago opera bouffe was in its prime, and Offenbach and Lecocy were household names. Gilbert and Sullivan had effected their collaboration in the first of an inimitable series of operettas, included in which are "Pinafore" and "The Mikado." Johann Strauss, prince of waltz writers, had just entered the dramatic field with "Indigo," soon to be followed by "Der Fledermaus" and "The Merry and Suppe was writing his melodious scores, of which "Boccaccio" is perhaps best known. What a contrast presents itself to-day! It is difficult to realize that the modern light musical works for the stage are related to the masterpieces of Offenbach, Sullivan and Strauss, and yet the change has come about gradually.

Lucky Child of the Future.

The World To-Day. The child of the future will live a natural life; his play and exercise will be such as to promote growth strength. When he grows up, sports and games will keep ful insects will have been exterminated. The adjustment of man to his environment will be so perfect that accidents will be rare. The subduing of nature will in time be accomplished and the attendant ill of civilization be cured.

National Magazine. The farmer's son is just an average unit in the organover his head. He can draw his natural inspirations direct

Love and Homeopathy: MAX O'RELL.

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC.

I am affald there are lady readers of The Republic who are under the impression that I keep a sort of Doctor Capid's office for consultations on questions of love and matrimony, and who constantly write for advice.

do so, and I suppose she wants me to tell her whether she is likely to be successful—whether the cure will be effective and last-ting.

Of course, there is more chance of happings, and who constantly write for advice.

And, pray, why do you see the man on business every day?

Is he your confessor, your dancing music teacher, your dancing master? Has a royal escapade of recent date, like a royal escapade of recent date, like a royal escapade of recent date, like a pray who loves a women and a your otherwise well-balanced mind?

y vice.

I have many times repeated in the columns of The Republic that I will on no account answer privately any letters which are titles which I contribute to that paper.

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But, my dear lady correspondent, are you are deaded, who acts in the formants. ly—that is to say, to help or advise all those who might find themselves in the same pre-dicament as my correspondents, but I must confess, far more with the object of inter-

lady, who writes: 'I am mady in love with a man whom I cannot marry, but whom I have to see on business almost every day. What should I do to be cured? Should I

homeopathy-that is to say, in the cure of the like by the like.

man; why, love another; it is as simple as possible. Yes, but the lady tells me that she cannot love that other. Yet, she seems inclined to "swallow" him as an antidote.

that man "madly"?

fireworks, shells, volcanic cruptions and that may lead you to fall in love with him as madly don't tell him; he might believe you. Men are so stilly!

do harm, cause suffering, but they last a Copyright, 1961 by W. R. Hearst, Great Britain At any rate, she suggests that she might

But, my dear lady correspondent, are you going to tell that man honestly on what terms you are prepared to marry him? Are you going to trust to his intelligence,

And are you going to do your utmost to help him? Sarely, you are not going to de-ceive him, let him think that you love him and prepare for him and for yourself a life of misery and wretchedness, and thus build your married life on contempt and decelt, marry another man who is new seeking my high will be do you to hate your husband. But enough of awful suppositions, for, be tion, but whom I do not love?'

Now, here is a problem, if you like: Can case is much more hopeful than you think But enough of awful suppositions, for, be-tween you and me, I can declare that your case is much more hopeful than you think. matrimony be administered as a medicine?
If so, in what doses?
To tell you the truth, I rather believe in suffer, is quite curnble, and is cured every To tell you the truth, I rather believe in surer, is quite the sure of day without having to resert to such extreme measures as you suggest, for, dear You want to be cured of your love for a lady, do you not say to me that you love

Oh, you matince girl!

Are you aware that matinee girls invaria-ly love madly? Yes, as madly and as diotically as do in the play the heroes when they worship. Now, do not take tragically, or even seriously, such little clouds as "mad love." Do not use big words for very little things.

Mud love is the easiest love to cure.

Mad love is the easiest love to cure.

Change your doctor or your dancing master, or-if I have otherwise guessed right-patronize another theater.

Go and see "Hamlet"; that will cure you of "Romeo."

Then look more carefully at that very sensible male who offers you marriage and a good position, and if you realize that you can make him happy, and you are sure you are not madly in love with him-marry him.

And if you study him very closely and

Protecting Themselves: OPIE READ.

REPUBLIC.

It was an uncommon meeting in Chicago binding themselves in security venders binding themselves in security occling over at that hospital.

They had a way of frying steak that leclare against the use of intoxicants.

This declaration, of course, is of the nature of a close corporation, and is not held out the the general public. When liquor dealers by their solemn and

deliberate action declare that their "old pri-vate stock" and "old musty ale" cannot with safety be taken into the stomach what must be the opinion of the outsider? These men have acted wisely. They have not preached; they have illustrated. There are, however, no keepers of con-

spicuous saloons that would advise a man to get drunk. A drunken man in a saloon is too forel ble an example, is too much given to quick acquaintance with men who have not taken enough to drive away reserve.

Therefore, he hurts business, The saloon's best customer is the man who can keep on drinking without getting drunk, from whose countenance comes forth no reproach. It is a mistake to suppose that all sa-

Into their places human nature goes to emphasize or weaken itself, and human nature is not an unmixed evil. loonkeepers are brutal. When you speak of a man that under-stands human nature, the short of sight suppose you mean one that can see the

in the human family.

And, if human nature buys so much of whishy, he also sells some of it. In Kentucky some of the distillers have belonged to "best families," and in Eng-land more than one brewer has been knight-

error and viciousness rather than any good

stuff" is responsible for many lapses and cannot be regarded as the color sergeant in the onward march of civilization.

Organized a temperance movement! Out

of the National Liquor Dealers' Association the prohibitionists may pick their next candidate for the presidency. It would be no more surprising than the

trade.

If a party of butchers should assemble in an avowed determination not to eat any of their own meat, and the report should get out, it would be the end of their business. It would be a blow more effective than that which the Beef Trust dealt the local saughterers of the village steer.

A scientist whose name is not likely to go down the chutes of time as a great discov-

erer has declared that alcohol is a food. particularly for the nerves.

It may be a sort of food for the nerves when the night before the nerves were overfed with the same food, but alcohol as a regular diet would hardly sustain an

army on the march.

Another advanced thinker thought not long ago that he had found a permanent cure for the drink habit—that of cultivating a disgust; and, to foster this loathing, he was cooked in whisky.

The steaks were fried in alcohol, and the

bread before brought to table was soaked r liquor that stood at 100 in the shade. The first patient was an old fellow that had acquired a reputation of town drunk-As is usual in such cases, he had married

the bells of the community.

Well, he remained during six weeks at the institution and then he was pronounced

When he reached home the neighbors came around to encourage him.

To assure him that once more he had become a factor in their affairs they re-minded him that his taxes were due and that he would have to restrain the natural impulses of his cow and keep her from roaming at will in the streets, bawling on the public square when the evening sun was low and at nightfall rubbing against a corner of the Courthouse.
Thus encouraged, the town drunkard was resolved to lead a better life.

They had a way of frying steak that suited me, and their bread was out of sight. That was the extent of his disgust.

Action against man's ancient enemy is taken nearly every day, sometimes in the ancient way and sometimes by unique procancient way and sometimes by unique process, such as the move made by some of the Chicago liquor dealers.

Several weeks ago a City Councilman in a Nebraska town arose and said that he wished to submit a resolution. wished to submit a resolution. brought forward and the clerk read, "Re-

Among all thinkers there are men that onstantly warn their fellows not to go too

So, in the Council the conservatives urged a discussion of the matter, and finally the resolution was amended to read, "Resolved, That the liquor in this town is bad." In that form the enactment stands to-day, and upon "conservative authority" it is said that no one has had cause to question its

truth. A Berlin physician turned recently from his work of finding scientific death in American meats to the more tangible observation that in liquor there is energy.

This will not raise any very noisy dis-

Any one that has had to help hold a drunken man that wanted to fight the other fellow—as long as he was held—will agree that in drink there is the exercise of much And it has been known to make the im-

potent strong.

A man that is too weak to work has been the elevator had stopped running, to labor for a small loan in order that he might get whisky to drink. This is an age of protective associations. It is said that both factions of a feud in

West Virginia have organized themselves into "A Mutual Life Insurance Company." resolved to lead a better life.

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Studies in Natural History: DOROTHY DIX

WRITTEN FOR THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC.

The Club Woman.—We will now approach for thirty-five years without making any impression upon it. It will be seen how in-

flown the coop.

Many theories have been advanced to account for this, some ornithologists contribfing that it is merely an unfolding of the wings which all females are known to possess, while others assert that, like the plague of locusts, it is a judgment sent on

The most reasonable hypothesis seems to be, however, that the monotony of sitting on a china door knob, trying to make home happy while its mate was away enjoying himself, finally got on to the hen's nerves and she piked out to see if there was not doing in the wide, wide world. fauna of both Europe and America, but it reaches its greatest perfection and is found in the largest numbers in this country, where it attains a strength of voice unknown elsewhere.

species is of comparatively recent origin, many people now alive being abl to recall when the first Club Women were taken about and exhibited as the freak side show to men's societies, under the title of "Women's Auxiliaries," but like the English sparrow, and the Australian rabbit, they have now become so numerous that they have crowded out the other attraction

and are now the whole show The Club Woman belongs to the migraory birds that are always on the Pullman cars (genus feminus hotfootibus), and is said to sleep with its bonnet on and its

It is also exceedingly creenglons always going in flocks, and this has led naturalists to classify it among the chronic joiners, of hich it (genus clubwomanis) is, perhaps, the most highly developed species extant. In appearance the Club Woman is inter-In appearance the Club Westing rather than beautiful. It is inclined to embonpoint, with grizzled

hair and spectacles, and an enlarged crani-um, but it need not be feared on the latter account, as it never knows as much as it It likewise possesses a severe expression, but fortunately it is not so dangerous as it looks, for, although it has a way of ruffling

up its feathers and flying at things to which

This is a most painful ordeal, but as its nates are required, in turn, to listen to it.

gets even, but scientists have been unable to explain why even a fowl related to 2 TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO goose family should be willing to thus ntarily aiflict itself. e manner in which these curious creatures are caught is most instructive.

Like the eider duck the Club Woman is generally worth plucking, and the fowler who wishes to get its down to line his own The City Council discussed a bill without ever stopping to inquire whether Sometimes he cries "Culture! Culture!" it objects, it seldom inflicts more than a but the effect is the same in luring the harmless peck, and as it has been pecking birds to him.

there is a diversity of opinion.
Some timid men, fearing they may be
talked to death, flee at the approach of one,
while other men declars that there is noth-

ploiting fads and supplying audiences for fake lecturers on dead subjects Some back-number ladies object to the Club Woman having escaped from the barnyard and think it should be shooed a moment's notice, so that if you expture a back in the coop, but the people who have meat-eating, orthodox Presbyteriaan, by attempted to drive a hen out of a garden become a vegetarian beach it it may have are not applying for the job.

Confessions of Geraldine.

How much longer can I endure it? This morning my husband rose before daybreak. He was too lazy to light a lamp, and breakfasted in the dark. The result was he ate the prepared kindling wood instead of the predigested break-

When the servants got up there was nothing to build the fire with. Of course they were angry and left. I do not blame

I spoke of the matter to my husband to-He said he did not care, that he had felt first-rate all day.

The seifish brute.

I am quite calm as I write. I marvel at my own patience.—Life.

TO-DAY IN ST. LOUIS. From The Republic of May 4, 1878. The first concert of the summer

season took place at the Fair • to prohibit the erection of awnings · over the sidewalks downtown.

Arrangements were made for the • national meeting of the American • Association for the advancement of . science, which was to be held in St. . Louis. The local committees were composed of W. H. Pulsifer, J. K. • Rees, the Reverend Doctor Ellot. • Thomas Allen, Professor Potter of Washington University, George Bain . Doctor G. J. Englemann, Doctor William Taussig, Judge Speck, F. A.

Churchill and Enno Sander. John A. Stewart and Solon Humah. revs filed a bill in answer to the suit . brought by J. Plerpont Morgan involving the bonds of the St. Louis and .

Illinois Bridge Company. A citizens committee, to work for reforms in the municipality, was organized at a meeting at the Lindell Hotel. The directors were John M. Krum, Charles W. Irwin, J. K. Cummings, Jacob S. Merrell, Doctor J. H. McLean, E. A. Noonan, William

Druhe, H. Brockman Fire damaged the Martindale Zinc Works in South St. Louis. Bernhard Munbardt's horse and wagon collided with St. Alphonsus's Rock Church on Grand avenue, the

· driver escaping injury. Wholesale-hou at 3 p. m. on Saturdays. ice factories had been estab-6 lished in St. Louis within two

Miss Maggie McLaughlin was appointed assistant principal of Irving

Lewis E. Kline of the American Baptist Publication Society, presented a handsome collection of curios from Asia and Africa to Shurtleff

College.

For this I use my sublest art,

the study of a bird that appears to have reversed all the laws in nature, for whereas in the usual processes of civilization most wild creatures become tame and domestivated, the Ciub Woman, which was originally a barnyard fowl, has gotten gay and inally a barnyard fowl, has gotten gay and flown the coop.

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form, and undoubtedly only the fact that it is pigeon-teed keeps it from arriving at me tangible results. The attention of the earnest student is also called to the strange power that this interesting creature has of changing its en-

become a vegetarian Esoteric Buddhist, or a New Thoughtist. The chief characteristic of the Club Womans is its enormous appetite, and the avi ity with which it will swallow any kind

of a subject, no matter how tough or dry, f only it is fed to it in classes. Art, literature, civil reform, Ibsen plays, Maeterlinck philosophy, De Montesquiou poetry, village improvement, any old thing Unfortunately, though, its digestion is not equal to its appetite, and the post-mortem examination over the remains of

many Club Women have disclosed the sad fact that they came to an untimely brough being gorged with bulf-baked phi-Another peculiarity of the Club Woman s its curious way of amusing itself by lis-oning to long-winded papers dug out of the encyclopedia by its fellow Club Women.

nest goes into an open space and begins to cry out, "Reform! Reform!" when instantly the reform reforms or not. It is then perfectly easy to gather them into his net.

POEMS WORTH KNOWING.

THE FADED VIOLET.

BY THOMAS BAILEY ALDRICH.

Thomas Bailey Aidrich, novelist, journalist and poet, was born at Portsmouth, N. H., November 11, 1825. After passing part of his boyhood in Louisiana he returned in 1830, seried in a banking-house in New York until 1835, and then occupied editorial positions on several magaines. He conducted "Every Saturday," Boston, 1865-1874, and the "Atlantic Monthly," 1891-1896 HAT thought is folded in thy leaves?

What tender thought, what speechless pain? I hold thy faded lips to mine, Thou darling of the April rain!

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O dry, mute lips! ye are the type

Of something in me cold and dead: Of something wilted like thy leaves. Of fragrance flown, of beauty dim. Yet for the love of those white hands

That found thee by a river's brim;

That found thee when thy dewy mouth

Was purpled as with stains of wine,

Though scent and azure tint are fled-

For love of her who love forgot, I hold thy faded lips to mine.

That thou shouldst live when I am dead, When hate is dead for me and wrong, For this I fold thee in my song,